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FORM PTO-1390 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		<b>GRUNP44</b>
<b>EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO. ED 401782463 US</b>		<b>U.S. APPLICATION NO. 10/520139</b> <b>To Be Assigned</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/EP03/05196</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>16 May 2003 (05.16.2003)</b>	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>1 July 2002 (06.01.2002)</b>
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>REGULATION OF THE WATER BALANCE IN FUEL CELL SYSTEMS</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Jens MÜLLER, Marcus PREISSNER, Christian BÖHM, Volker HARBUSCH</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li><li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li><li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9), and (21) indicated below.</li><li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li><li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li><li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li><li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li></ol></li><li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li><li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li></ol></li><li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li><li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li><li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li><li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li></ol></li><li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li><li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li><li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li></ol>		
<b>Items 11 through 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li><li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li><li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li><li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li><li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li><li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li><li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.</li><li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).</li><li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).</li><li>20. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:</li></ol>		

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21. The following fees are submitted:				Applicant Use	Office use only
<input type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee.....\$300.00				\$ 300.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee.....\$200.00				\$ 200.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee.....\$500.00				\$ 500.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1000.00				\$ 1,000.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
20 - 100 =	0 / 50 =	0	x \$250.00	\$ 0.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e))				\$ 130.00	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	10 - 20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$ 0.00	
Independent claims	3 - 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$ 0.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (IF APPLICABLE)			+ \$360.00	\$ 0.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 1,130.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ 0.00	
SUBTOTAL =				\$ 1,130.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f))				\$ 0.00	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$ 1,130.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +				\$ 0.00	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$ 1,130.00	
Amount to be refunded:				\$	
Amount to be charged				\$	
<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <b>\$1,130.00</b> to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge our Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that might be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <b>501998</b>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p><b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b></p> <p><b>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:</b></p> <p><b>IP STRATEGIES</b> 12 1/2 Wall Street Suite I Asheville, NC 28801 Voice - (828) 253-8600 Facsimile - (828) 253-8620</p> <p style="text-align: right;">         SIGNATURE        NAME: Thomas M. Champagne        REG. NO. 36,478        Date: December 31, 2004     </p>					